What is claimed is:

1.   A method for mail batch processing using a web browser-based shipping system comprising the steps of:

(a)   operatively connecting a meter to a client;

(b)   running a web browser program on said client for communicating with a web server;

(c)   running a meter application on said web server;

(d)   entering a postage value for each mail piece of said mail batch into said web browser for setting said meter to a specific postal value;

(e)   displaying said meter batch value to a system on a web page;

(f)   processing said each one of said mail pieces at said meter;

(g)   updating said batch value and a piece count based upon said processing information.

2.   The method of claim 1, wherein said batch value and said batch count are continually displayed on said web page during said batch processing.

3.   The method of claim 1, wherein a final batch value and said batch count are displayed upon completion of said batch processing..

4.   A method for postage meter asset management using a web browser-based shipping system comprising the steps of:

(a)   operatively connecting a postage meter to a client;

(b)   running a web browser program on said client for communicating with a web server;

(c)   running a postage meter application on said web server;

(d)   running a postage meter automation server on said client;

(e)   communicating between said automation server and said web server using a script call;

(f)   storing in said meter application a first set of data related to said postage meter;

(g)   entering a postage value for each mail piece into said web browser for setting said meter to a specific postal value;

(h)   displaying meter batch value to user on said web page;

(i)   processing said mail piece at said meter;

(j)   updating said batch value and said batch count based upon said processing information.

5.   The method of claim 4, wherein said script call is JAVASCRIPT™.

6.   A system for mail batch processing using a web browser-based postal mail shipping system comprising:

(a)   a postage meter operatively connected to a client for performing a meter batch processing;

(b)   a web browser program running on said client for communicating with a web server; and

(c)   a postage meter application running on said web server, said postage meter application data processing a meter batch on said meter and continuously updating said batch values and said batch counts on said web browser

7.   The method of claim 6, wherein said batch value and said batch count are continually displayed on said web page during said batch processing.

8.   The method of claim 6, wherein a final batch value and batch count are displayed upon completion of said batch processing.